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## AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2008, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, and 4-17, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: